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PART III.

Legislative Measures and Rules thereunder.

NOTIFICATIONS.

No. J. 3926—*Police* 152-08-3, *dated* 16*th June* 1909.

In exercise of the power conferred by Section 22 of the Mysore Arms Regulation, VI of 1890, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore direct that the following additions shall be made to clause (3) of paragraph I of the rules issued with Notification No. J. 1782—Police Mis. 65, dated the 26th December 1905 :—

"Provided that a native soldier belonging either to the Mysore State Troops or to the British Indian Army, while absent from his regiment on leave, shall be exempt only in respect of such arms and ammunition as may be covered by a pass granted to him by his Commanding Officer."

"Explanation.—The term 'soldiers' as used in this clause does not include 'reservists.'"

By Order,
C. S. Balasundaram Iyer,
Offg. Secy. to Govt., Gen. & Rev. Depts.

No. 317—*L. C., dated* 16*th June* 1909.

Under Rule 40 of the rules for the conduct of business of the Mysore Legislative Council, the following report of the Select Committee appointed for the consideration of the Mysore Poisons Bill is published for general information :—

By Order,
S. HIRIYANNAIYA,
Secretary, Mysore Legislative Council.

Report of the Select Committee on the Mysore Poisons Bill.

We, the members of the Select Committee to whom the Bill to provide for the regulation of the possession and sale of all poisons in certain local areas, and the importation, possession and sale of white arsenic generally, was referred for consideration, beg to submit the following report thereon.

We have considered the several provisions of the Bill and the suggestions received, and recommend that the Bill be passed by the Council with the amendments noted below.

1. Clause 4, sub-clause (2).

The word "or" occurring in this sub-clause after the word "matters" and before the word "all" seems to be a misprint for the word "for" which should be substituted therefor.

2. Clause 10, sub-clause (*1*) (*b*).

In this sub-clause the words "the United Kingdom" should be substituted for the word "Mysore," as in the British Indian Act. We note that there is no law either in Mysore or in British India laying down qualifications for the profession of chemists and druggists.

3. Clause 10, sub-clause (2).

We are of opinion that the restriction which is intended to be imposed by this sub-clause on medical and veterinary practitioners and on chemists and druggists in regard to transactions in certain kinds of poisonous drugs should be limited only to sales of such drugs. In this view the word "transactions" in the sub-clause appears to be rather too wide. We therefore recommend that the sub-clause be recast as follows :—

"2. The Government may, in the case of medical or veterinary practitioners or chemists or druggists *vending* any poisonous drug to be specified by Government in this behalf, make rules for—

(i) the maintenance by *them* of registers of sales, the particulars to be entered in such registers, and the inspection of the same;

(ii) the safe custody of such drugs and the labelling of the vessels, packages or coverings in which any such drug is sold or possessed for sale; and

(iii) the inspection and examination of any such drugs when possessed for sale by any such person."

We observe that no provision has been made in the draft Bill for penalties for breaches of rules that may be framed by Government under the above sub-clause. We therefore consider it necessary that the words "or sub-section (2) of Section 10" should be inserted after the word and figure "Section 4" in sub-clause 1 (*a*) of clause 7.

As the provisions of the Bill have undergone very little change, we consider it unnecessary to republish it with the amendments now suggested by us.

We beg to add that the Committee had, during their discussions, the benefit of the expert opinions of Col. Smyth, I.M.S., Senior Surgeon and Sanitary Commissioner to Government, and of Mr. N. Narasimmiengar, Inspector of Cattle Diseases.

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S. NARAYANA RAO.
M. C. RANGIENGAR.

4th June 1909.